

BROWN FORMAN CORP  
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# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Whiting Lawson E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BROWN FORMAN CORP [BFA, BFB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
850 DIXIE HIGHWAY  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/10/2017

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, Chief Brands & Strategy

LOUISVILLE, KY 40210  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Class B Common	03/10/2017		M		7,910 A \$ 19.215	7,910	D
Class B Common	03/10/2017		M		8,248 A \$ 13.525	16,158	D
Class B Common	03/10/2017		F		9,885 D \$ 46.21 (1)	6,723	D
Class B Common	03/10/2017		S		6,723 D \$ 46.5201	0	D
Class A Common						3,081 (2)	D

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Class A  
Common 2.6784 <sup>(3)</sup> I DRIP

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 13.525 <sup>(4)</sup>	03/10/2017		M	8,248	05/01/2012 04/30/2019	Class B Common 8,248
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 19.215 <sup>(5)</sup>	03/10/2017		M	7,910	05/01/2013 04/30/2020	Class B Common 7,910
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 23.2 <sup>(6)</sup>					05/01/2014 04/30/2021	Class B Common 17,150
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 29.35 <sup>(7)</sup>					05/01/2015 04/30/2022	Class B Common 15,510
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 36.21 <sup>(8)</sup>					05/01/2016 04/30/2023	Class B Common 17,180
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 45.985 <sup>(9)</sup>					05/01/2017 04/30/2024	Class B Common 12,070
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 51.1265 <sup>(10)</sup>					05/01/2018 04/30/2025	Class B Common 15,740
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 49.005 <sup>(11)</sup>					05/01/2019 04/30/2026	Class B Common 22,690

Right

# Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Whiting Lawson E 850 DIXIE HIGHWAY LOUISVILLE, KY 40210			EVP, Chief Brands & Strategy	

# Signatures

Michael E. Carr, Jr., Attorney in Fact for Lawson E. Whiting	03/14/2017
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

# Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The closing price of BF-B on March 9, 2017 was used to calculate the withholding obligation.
- (2) Reflects the acquisition of 1,540 additional shares in the August 2016 stock split.
- (3) Number of shares acquired through the issuer's dividend reinvestment plan as of March, 2017.
- (4) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 4,124 shares at an exercise price of \$27.05, but were adjusted to reflect the August 2016 stock split.
- (5) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 3,955 shares at an exercise price of \$38.43, but were adjusted to reflect the August 2016 stock split.
- (6) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 8,578 shares at an exercise price of \$46.40, but were adjusted to reflect the August 2016 stock split.
- (7) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 7,759 shares at an exercise price of \$58.70, but were adjusted to reflect the August 2016 stock split.
- (8) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 8,592 shares at an exercise price of \$72.42, but were adjusted to reflect the August 2016 stock split.
- (9) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 6,039 shares at an exercise price of \$91.97, but were adjusted to reflect the August 2016 stock split.
- (10) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 7,870 shares at an exercise price of \$102.25, but were adjusted to reflect the August 2016 stock split.
- (11) These stock appreciation rights were previously reported as covering 11,348 shares at an exercise price of \$98.01, but were adjusted to reflect the August 2016 stock split.

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